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NOTICE.

Mr. Armistead Long:
SIR—YOU are hereby notified that, on Saturday the 31st day of August, 1839, at the Courthouse in the County of Warren, and State of Kentucky, I shall take the deposition of Samuel P. Cox, of said State, to read on the trial of my suit against you now pending and undetermined in the Circuit Superior Court of Law and Chancery of Campbell county, and where you are invited to attend by attorney otherwise. If from accident, or other cause, the deposition should not be taken or completed on that day, then it will be taken on Monday next following, and if necessary the notice will be kept open and continued from day to day for seven days. Respectfully,
THOMAS HUNDLEY, CTS.

NEW FLOUR.

JUST received, a lot superior Family Flour in half bbls. which will be sold low.
JO. MARSH, Jr.

SEED OATS AND SEED CORN For Sale.

THE SUBSCRIBER will have this fall, about two hundred bushels of the celebrated Reddish Oats for sale. The kind was procured near Petersburg. He has also a crop in part growing, of much renowned Baden Corn. The kind of seed as procured in Baltimore last fall. The subscriber will deliver in Lynchburg his Oats as seed, and a good order, for one dollar per bushel, and his Baden Corn for two dollars per bushel. Persons wishing for seed of either kind of grain, may leave their orders with Messrs. Payne & Turner, Lynchburg, where they shall in due time, receive their seed, and certificates of its genuineness.
WM. B. VAUGHAN, Jr.

NOTICE.

THE ANNUAL Meeting of the stockholders in the Natural Bridge Turnpike Company, will be held at the Natural Bridge, on the 5th day of September next.
By order of the President and Directors,
JOHN GRITH, Secretary.

THE subscribers have entered into a co-partnership to transact a **Hide and Leather Business** in Richmond, under the style and firm of **CRANE & NEW.**
SAMUEL CRANE,
JAMES P. NEW.

HIDE AND LEATHER STORE,

At the sign of the



On the Cross Street leading to Mayo's Bridge, and immediately opposite Messrs. H. W. & J. J. Fry.

CAN be had at this store, Spanish Hides, Tanneer Oils, and Curriers' Tools. Also, Leather of all kinds—Sole Leather, Upper Leather, Harness, Skirting, Bridle, Horse Skins, Bag Leather, Serge, Sheep Skins, Calf Skins, Seal Skins, Morocco Skins, Linings, Bindings, Shoe Thread, and various other articles suitable for shoemakers, saddlers and coach makers. We are making and can furnish those in want with good Plantation Brogues as can be gotten or made in this city, having engaged an experienced hand to superintend in this department. We invite a call from those in want of such articles, and if we cannot suit them, we promise not to be offended.
CRANE & NEW, Richmond, July 22 1m

Turnpike Land for sale.

WE will sell a Tract of Land, lying on the turnpike road, leading from Lynchburg to New London, about 6 miles from Lynchburg. The Tract contains 400 acres more or less, about one half in woods, and well timbered. The Land lies well and produces kindly. There is a fine Meadow on the premises. Its contiguity to Lynchburg would render it valuable. Any person wishing to purchase, can apply to
JOHN T. AUSTIN, or
E. G. ARNOLD, Attorneys for W. W. Austin, Jr.

To Contractors and holders of notes of the J. R. & K. Company.

WE would respectfully announce that we have on hand a large supply of

Superior Bacon,

Which we will sell at the market price, and receive in payment the notes of the Company at par. Please to call upon us.
S. H. DAVIS & SON.

July 22 4t

Valuable Land for sale.

A VALUABLE TRACT OF LAND, lying in Amherst County, on Tyne River, about three miles from New Glasgow, belonging to the Legacies of W. S. Crawford, dec. is offered for sale. A good portion of this Land is in woods, and heavily timbered. The cleared part consists of fertile low grounds and high Land of good quality. The improvements are not valuable. This Tract contains about 400 acres, and will be sold on very reasonable terms. For further particulars enquire of
E. FLETCHER, Jr.

July 22 1s

One hundred Dollars Reward.

RANAWAY from the subscriber on the 6th of July, a very bright mulatto Boy by the name of **WARNER**, about 5 feet 2 inches in height, 19 years of age, spare made, straight black hair, black eyes, gentle in his appearance, very polite in his manners, speaks quick, and is somewhat conceited; has small scars on the back of one of his hands. He took with him two suits of cloths, one of gray broadcloth, frock coat and pantaloons, the other of homespun, capotes color roundabout & pantaloons, and a black hat about half worn. It requires close inspection to distinguish him from a white person. It is supposed that he has gone in the direction of Lynchburg, or Hillsborough, or down the river.

I will give the above reward if taken over 20 miles from home; over 10 and within 20 miles, \$30; within 10 miles, \$10, if he is returned to me, or lodged in jail, so that I get him again.
NATHL. P. THOMAS, Near Milton, N. C.

July 22 1s

Blanks for Sale.

July 22 1s

MEDICAL COLLEGE, In Richmond, Virginia.

THE next Winter Term of Lectures in the Medical Department of Hampden Sydney College, at Richmond, will commence on MONDAY, October 21st, 1839, and continue until the last of February following.

AUGUS. L. WARNER, M. D. Professor of Surgery and Surgical Anatomy.
JNO. CULLEN, M. D. Professor of Theory and Practice of Medicine.
TH. JOHNSON, M. D. Professor of Anatomy and Physiology.
L. W. CHAMBERLAYNE, M. D. Professor of Materia Medica and Therapeutics.
R. L. BOHANNAN, M. D. Professor of Obstetrics and the Diseases of Women and Children.
SOCRATES MAUPIN, M. D. Professor of Chemistry and Pharmacy.

The College Infirmary, attached to the College Building, has been in successful operation for the last eight months, and furnishes constantly a number of interesting Medical and Surgical Cases, to which the Student has access at all hours.

The College Infirmary, together with the Alms House, Penitentiary and Armory, (which are under the charge of two of the Professors) will afford the Student an opportunity of witnessing the various diseases incident to Southern climate. The abundance of materials for Anatomical purposes, and the reduced price at which they are furnished, will enable the Student to acquire an intimate knowledge of the Anatomy of the human body, and the use of Surgical Instruments.

During the last Winter Course of Lectures, from the number of Surgical Cases admitted into the Infirmary, the Professor of Surgery was enabled to exhibit before the class, nearly all the important Surgical operations upon the living subject; and from the increasing popularity of the Infirmary, there is reason to believe that hereafter the Surgical Cases in the House, will greatly increase.

Good Boarding, including fuel, lights, servants' attendance, &c. can be obtained in this city for four dollars per week.

We are authorized to state that a full Course of Lectures in this Institution will be received as equivalent to one in the following Medical Schools: University of Pennsylvania; Jefferson Medical College of Philadelphia; Medical College of the State of South Carolina; Transylvania University, Lexington, Ky.; University of Maryland, &c. &c.

The Professor of Anatomy will open the Dissecting Rooms of the College on the first of October.

AUGUS. L. WARNER, M. D., Dean of the Medical Faculty.

Richmond, May 27 6m

BUFFALO SPRINGS,

SITUATED on Buffalo River, in the county of Amherst, 15 miles from the Courthouse, 23 miles from Lexington, and 25 miles from Lynchburg.

In calling the attention of the public to these Springs, as a watering place, the subscriber takes occasion to remark, that they are no new discovery, although unknown to the distant public until the last few years. For many years they have never failed to attract the notice of the medical faculty of this country, and the improvements could comfortably accommodate, who will readily testify to their medicinal virtues.

Having erected a large & commodious Hotel, with a number of good framed Cabins, I am now prepared to entertain a much larger company with more comfort.

The water has been analyzed, and found to contain the essential ingredients, sulphur, soda (in an unusual proportion) and magnesia; and the subscriber can say with the fullest confidence, that if certificates of facts were required they can be obtained of many individuals, whose experience of their virtues enables them to say that they are unsurpassed by any water in Virginia, for most of the diseases common to our climate. In cases of confirmed dyspepsia, or less deranged condition of the stomach and bowels, in pulmonary or liver diseases, more particularly the latter—in all diseases of general debility whatever—and peculiarly for delicate females and children, these waters will be found possessed of real virtues, and certainly are efficacious. For this fact the highest authority among the medical faculty in this section of the country can be offered, as well as the better evidence of full and ample tests by individuals from actual experience.

Having heard heretofore, much complaint of the road from Lynchburg to this place, I am authorized to say that the contractor on the Lynchburg and Buffalo Springs Turnpike Road, will complete the worst parts of said road by the middle of July, and thereby make it all good so that my friends disposed to visit me will have no difficulty on that score.

The season will again commence on the 15th of June. The subscriber, grateful for past patronage both from his old friends and strangers, again invites them to visit him, with the assurance on his part that no pains shall be spared to render the visit agreeable.

It will be observed, that the rates of Board are lower than at any other watering place in Virginia, viz:

Board per week, \$7 00
do do day, 1 25
Houses per week, 4 00
do do day, 75
Children and servants, 3 50

W. L. SAUNDERS.

I subjoin below a communication received from Physicians who have visited these waters, and have had opportunities of judging of their efficacy in most of the diseases above mentioned. Since that time, other physicians of eminence have visited them and would most cordially subscribe to the opinions contained in this communication. The unsurpassed healthfulness of this situation, and the additional inducements to the vacationer for giving a trial to these invaluable waters.

"JUNE 23d, 1837.
"Dear Sir—Having noticed in a late Virginia, that you are again ready for the reception of company at the Buffalo Springs, we deem it an act of justice to yourself and the public, to express to you our entire approbation of all you have said on the subject of their medicinal virtues, in the diseases you have mentioned in your advertisement, and we cheerfully and cordially subscribe to the fact, that so far as we have been able to observe, they are unsurpassed in their efficacy, in diseases of the stomach and bowels. We would further take occasion to express our sincere wish, that your success may fully equal the value of your water, and your laudable efforts to accommodate visitors.
Very sincerely, your friends,
T. P. MITCHELL,
JOHN H. PATTERSON,
D. PATTERSON,
R. S. PAYNE,
RO. G. JENNINGS."

June 10 1s

Office of Farmers' Bank of Virginia, LYNCHBURG.

BOOKS of subscription for the additional stock of the Farmers' Bank of Virginia, are now opened at the Banking House, in Lynchburg: The stock is offered at one hundred dollars per share, with interest thereon from the 3rd of June, 1839. Payment of one fourth of principal and interest is to be made at the time of subscribing, and the residue is to be paid at two, four and six months from the 3rd of June.

WM. RADFORD, Pres't.

June 20 1s

"Take care of the cents and the Dollars will take care of themselves."

HERSEY.



UNION SAVINGS BANK

CAPITAL 15,000.

WILL receive Deposits of all money current in the State, and issue certificates binding fully and effectually all the property and funds of the Institution, for the payment thereof, within ten days notice, with interest thereon, from time of deposit till paid; at the rate of 5 per centum per annum, for all sums which shall have been on deposit for less than one year; and 54 per cent. per annum, for all sums which shall remain over one year.

Every Monday at half past eight o'clock P. M.; at the office over the store of Mr. A. Gannaway.

DIRECTORS.

Henry Latham, J. B. Renwick,
C. McIver, Henry J. Brown,
J. J. Kinnier, Thos. O. Acree,
J. J. Salmon, C. Phelps.

OFFICERS.

Henry M. Delake, President,
R. B. Shelton, Treasurer,
J. W. Duder, Secretary.

Lynchburg, June 17 1s

House, Sign and Ornamental PAINTING, &c.

THE SUBSCRIBER respectfully informs his friends and the public generally, that he intends carrying on the above named business, in all its various branches, viz:

House, Sign and Ornamental Painting, Gilding, Paper Hanging, &c.

And from his experience in the business, and the expense to which he has gone, in procuring recipes in House Painting, he solicits a share of the public patronage. He assures the public that no pains will be spared to please those who may trust him with their work. He will paint Houses both in town and country, on the best terms of any one in the place, and in the most fashionable manner. Samples of his imitation works, such as curled maple, mahogany, &c. may be seen at his father's Shop, where the public are invited to call and examine for themselves.

Shop on Market street, nearly opposite to Mr. Elliott's Meat Store, THOS. E. HARDY.

I would take one or two good Apprentices to the above named business, about twelve or fourteen years of age.
T. E. H.

July 18 1m

NEW BOOK AND STATIONARY STORE.

THE subscribers have associated themselves together under the firm of

PAYNE & GREGORY.

for the purpose of transacting the BOOK AND STATIONARY BUSINESS in this place, and are now opening, at the house lately occupied by Messrs. Colburn & Amistead, (Kyle's corner,) a large and general assortment of BOOKS, embracing all the best and approved editions of Standard Literature, together with a large supply of Standard School and other Miscellaneous Books, Stationary, Musical Instruments, and Fancy Articles; which were purchased in the Northern cities, by one of the firm, on such terms as will enable them to sell as cheap as such articles can be purchased in any market to the State. Our friends and the public are respectfully invited to call.

DAVID B. PAYNE,
JAMES D. GREGORY.

June 10 1s

EARLY FOR SALE OR LEASE.

I OFFER for sale my late residence, within a mile of Lynchburg, on the old New London road. There are about 60 acres of Land, well enclosed, mostly with a plank fence. The buildings consist, in part, of a handsome brick Dwelling House, with 8 rooms above the basement story, 4 dry cellars, and two porches. Kitchen, Smoke, Bath and Carriage houses, of brick—a large brick Stable, with Granary, Cow house, hay-loft and shelter, a stone Spring house—a large Garden well set with variety of fruit trees, vines, and shrubbery, enclosed with a brick wall—a large yard well shaded and ornamented, also enclosed with brick—a good orchard of choice fruit—groves of forest trees—stable lot well shaded, and with an abundant supply of water running through it—five springs of pure water—a Meadow of 5 or 6 acres well set with herd's grass, and the most of the lands improved, as the growing crops of Wheat, Oats and Grass, will abundantly show. In addition, if desired, I will sell one undivided third part of two small tracts of wood land, containing in the whole 180 acres, and distant a half to one mile from Oakly.

If this property be not sold in 60 days, then it will be for lease for a term of years, to a gentle family; the tenant obligating himself to keep and return the property in good repair.

Terms of payment, if sold, will be made to suit the purchaser, provided the debt be well secured, and the interest paid half-yearly, my object being to create a funded debt.

S. GARLAND.

June 24 1s

Office of the Bank of Va. at Lynchburg.

12th June, 1839.

NOTICE is hereby given, that a book for subscriptions to the additional Stock of the Bank of Virginia, authorized by the late acts of the General Assembly of this Commonwealth, is now open at this Office.

The terms upon which the subscriptions are to be made:—For every share subscribed, twenty-five dollars must be paid, with interest thereon from the 3rd instant, when the Commonwealth subscribed and paid for three thousand two hundred and fifty shares—and seventy-five dollars, in three equal instalments of two, four and six months thereafter, with interest from the same period.

F. SYDNOR, Cashier.

June 20 1s

NOTICE.

WE, the subscribers, having purchased of Mr. Samuel S. Allen, of the State of New York, the exclusive right and privilege, for the county of Campbell, in the State of Virginia, of making, using and vending his newly invented Threshing machine and horse power, in and for the said county, are prepared to furnish all those wishing to purchase Machines of the above pattern, or the privilege of making, using and selling the same, on reasonable terms, by applying to either of the subscribers living in Lynchburg.

We forewarn all and every person in this county, from using the above Machine, or horse power, or from infringing on the patent in any shape whatever, as the law will be rigidly enforced against all such offenders.

SAMUEL BURCH,
A. D. TYREE.

June 30 1s

WANTED Two Apprentices to the Tanning and Currying business.

DAVID HOFFMAN

Amherst, June 24 1s

New Stage Line.

PASSENGERS to the Springs, and other travellers, are hereby informed, that the undersigned will commence running

A new line of Coaches.

From Lynchburg to Daguer's (Dibrell's) Springs via the Natural Bridge, on Tuesday next, the 2nd day of July. Until further notice, we shall leave Lynchburg on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, at half after four A. M., and arrive at Daguer's the same evening, before night. The next morning Passengers will leave Daguer's at breakfast, and reach the White Sulphur about 5 o'clock, P. M. Visitors to the Springs by this line will thus be relieved from all night travel, and reach the White Sulphur, or Lewisburg, in two days from Lynchburg. The Turnpike is now finished quite to its intersection with the Lexington and Covington Road, and in addition to the general novelty and splendid scenery it affords, we would mention as peculiar objects of interest and curiosity, the passage through, not over the Blue Ridge, along the margin of James River and commanding a view of the Mountain Canal, a beautiful prospect—the Natural Bridge, which Mr. Jefferson pronounced worth a trip across the Atlantic to view—an Island, but not less, Daguer's Springs, kept by Chas. L. Dibrell, where he that has been once will like to be again.

The undersigned intend to give their personal attention to this line, can confidently promise travellers first rate Coaches and Teams, and careful and accommodating Drivers, and will spare no pains themselves to satisfy their passengers.

WM. A. GALBRAITH,
HENRY L. DAVIES.

June 27 1s

NOTICE.

THE subscriber's Wool carding Machine, will be in full operation by the 10th day of the present month, (June) The Machine is entirely new, made of the skilled workman, Mr. Robert M. Clutter, who has been in the practice of making them for the last 20 years, and pledges himself to keep it in first rate order.

The terms for carding will be 8 cents per pound, the owner of the wool to furnish one pound of grease for every 10 pounds of wool. The Machine will be situated on Black-water, 2 miles from Lynchburg, on the Forest Road, at the mill formerly owned by Mrs. Tate. I pledge myself to use every exertion in making the finest quality of Wool. Persons desirous to send Wool to my Mill, are informed that if they will leave the same at the Stores of Messrs. McKim & Mosby or Brown & Cross, I will cause the same at my own expense to be carried to the Mill, carded and brought again for delivery in the form of Rols. I shall also keep constantly at the same places, a supply of WOOL ROLS for sale. The public may be assured that every effort shall be made to give satisfaction.

TANDY K. KIDD.

June 13 1s

FOR SALE.

THE NATIONAL HOTEL in the town of Danville, Virginia, a large and commodious building with twenty rooms conveniently arranged and supplied with necessary Furniture &c., situated in the most business part of the town, upon the corner of Main street and the passage to the bridge, with other buildings attached.

The subscriber would prefer a private sale of the property, for which they would give a good bargain and liberal time to make the payments, which might be divided to suit the purchaser. We need not say that Danville is now in a rapid state of improvement, and promises a sure market to the planter and farmer for all kinds of produce, nor do we deem it necessary to remind a purchaser that it is the great thorough fare, through which the Southern people travel to the Virginia watering places and to other parts of the United States.

If not sold before the 1st day of September next, we shall on that day offer it for sale to the highest bidder, upon a credit of one, two and three years, requiring the purchaser to secure the payment by bond and approved security or a deed of trust upon the property to secure the purchase money. If however, a private sale shall be made before the 1st September, notice of the same shall be given.

JAMES M. WILLIAMS,
ROBERT W. WILLIAMS.

Danville, July 11 4m

THE Commonwealth of Virginia to the Sheriff of Amherst County, greeting:

Whereas James Ware, guardian of Ambrose Burford, who sued for the benefit of Boyd Miller in his lifetime, that is to say: At a Court held for the said county of Amherst, the 20th day of June, 1837, before our Justices of our said Court, by the judgment of that Court, had recovered against James C. Burford, and Reuben Cox, his common bail, and Joseph McCray one hundred dollars, with interests thereon, to be computed after the rate of six per centum per annum, from the 18th day of March, 1833, till paid, and also eleven dollars and twelve cents for his costs, by him about his suit in that behalf expended, subject to a credit for twenty five dollars, paid 10th day of April, 1835, and the said James C. Burford, and Reuben Cox, his common bail, and Joseph McCray, are convicted, as appearing to us of record. And whereas, since the rendition of the said judgment, the said James Ware hath departed this life intestate, as it is said, and administration of all and singular his goods, chattels and credits hath been in due form committed to John Alexander, Sheriff of Rockbridge county, and now on behalf of the said John Alexander, Sheriff of Rockbridge county, and as such, administrator of the said James Ware, for the benefit of the said Boyd Miller, we are informed that although judgment in form aforesaid be given, execution thereof still remains to be made; therefore we command you, as you were often before commanded, to make known to the said James C. Burford, and Reuben Cox, his common bail, and Joseph McCray, that they be before the Justices of our County Court of Amherst at the Court House on the third Monday in August next, to show, any thing for themselves they have or can say, why the said John Alexander, Sheriff and administrator as aforesaid, for the benefit of the said Boyd Miller, execution of the judgment aforesaid, should not have, if to them it seem expedient, and further to do and receive what our said Court shall in that part consider; and have then their writ. Witness, Samuel M. Garland, clerk of our county, this 1st day of July, 1839, and in the 63rd year of the Commonwealth. SAM'L. M. GARLAND.

July 11 1m

100 Negroes Wanted.

I WISH to purchase 100 LIKELY NEGROES of both sexes, from 10 to 25 years of age. Persons having such property for sale, will do well to call on me, as I am willing to give the highest Cash price given anywhere in the State. M. HART.

May 13 1s

CANAL NOTES WANTED.

NOTES on the James River and Kanawha Canal Company taken at my store at par.

M. HART

July 22 1s

HATED TEN CASES OF BLACK & DRAB LEAF HATS.

amongst which is one case of Leary & Co's. finest black Beaver, the most fashionable Hats in use.

HUNT & MARTIN.

April 29 1s

DEFERRED ARTICLES.

From the Danville Reporter, July 17.

POPULAR INSTRUCTION.

Agreeably to previous notice, the citizens of Danville and its vicinity convened in the Presbyterian Church on the evening of July 4th, to consider the propriety of making some public expression of their opinion, on the necessity of a system of Public Schools in the State of Virginia.

Gen. B. W. S. Cabell was appointed chairman. Dr. N. T. Green first, and James Garland, Esq. second Vice President, and Mr. L. M. Fitch, Secretary.

The object of the meeting was briefly explained by Col. Geo. Townes, and the following preamble and resolutions offered by Rev. B. M. Smith, (after full discussion by the mover, and by Col. Townes and Whimel P. Tunstall, Esq.) were unanimously adopted.

Whereas a well digested system of Public Instruction is generally believed to be highly important to the welfare of every State—and whereas the State Legislature, being the creature of the people, is subject to the influence of public opinion; being desirous to contribute our mite to the formation and expression of such a public sentiment as shall insure and sustain some proper Legislative action on the subject of Public Instruction; Therefore,

Resolved, 1. That in our opinion, the funds at the disposal of the Legislature, together with the amount furnished by private contributions, are abundantly ample to sustain a system of Public Instruction, which shall afford the means of procuring a good English education to every child in the Commonwealth, and that it is incumbent on the Legislature forthwith to provide such a system.

2. While we leave to the Legislature the details of a system of Public Instruction, we most respectfully urge on its attention, the importance of making a special provision for the education of Teachers, and the erection of school houses well supplied with suitable furniture.

3. That a Committee of 12, five of whom shall constitute a quorum, be forthwith appointed, whose duty it shall be, 1. To call a meeting of the people of this county, to be held at the Court house some time previous to the meeting of the next General Assembly. 2. To prepare a concise address to our fellow citizens, setting forth the importance of the subject, and the urgency of the case, and to solicit legislative action—and 3. to send copies of these proceedings to gentlemen in various sections of the State, who they may suppose will take an interest in promoting their object.

4. That the proceedings of this meeting, with the address of the committee, be published in the Danville Reporter, and that their insertion in the Richmond, Norfolk, Petersburg and Lynchburg papers be respectfully requested.

Resolved, That the chairman of this meeting be a member of the committee, and that he be permitted to appoint the other members of the same. The meeting then adjourned.

B. W. S. CABELL, Chairman.

A Committee of 12 was appointed under the 3d Resolution: Gen. Cabell (appointed by the meeting), Rev. B. M. Smith, Jas. Garland, W. M. Tredway, J. M. Terry Esqrs and Dr. T. P. Atkinson to write the address, and send copies of the proceedings to gentlemen in the State whom they may select, and Col. George Townes, Maj. D. H. Clark, Dr. N. T. Green, Dr. W. L. Graham, J. M. Whittle and G. H. Gilmer, Esqrs. to call a public meeting of the citizens of this county.

ADDRESS TO THE CITIZENS OF VIRGINIA.

FELLOW CITIZENS—The object of this address is to secure your active co-operation in promoting the design of those who appointed us, as presented in the foregoing resolutions.

We do not presume, as you perceive, to present to the Legislature any definite plan of procedure, in the matter to which we respectfully solicit its attention. We content ourselves with urging on that body the propriety and necessity of adopting, as soon as possible, some efficient system of Public Instruction.

We now invite you to unite with us in this measure, and respectfully offer a few considerations which have influenced us to adopt the resolutions now before you.

1. The present plan of providing for the poor children of the State, has failed to accomplish the benevolent purposes of its founders. Since it went into operation, 20 years since, there appears to have been but slight if any improvement in the character of our primary schools. We have still to lament the incompetency of many teachers, the slow progress of pupils, and the apathy and indifference of the public, evinced among other things, by the inconvenient and uncomfortable houses provided for Schools, and the inadequate compensation afforded to Teachers. According to the last message of